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R 110615Z AUG 76  
FM AMEMBASSY BANGKOK  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1953  
INFO AMCONSUL HONG KONG  
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AMEMBASSY MANILA  
AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE  
CINCPAC HONOLULU  
JCRC BARBERS PT HAWAII

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SUBJECT: ARRIVAL OF FILIPINOS FROM VIET-NAM

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1. THIRTY-SEVEN FILIPINOS AND DEPENDENTS ARRIVED ON SPECIAL UNHCR FLIGHT FROM SAIGON AUGUST 10. BOTH PHILIPPINE EMBASSY AND UNHCR EXPECTED PLACE TO BE FULL. PROBLEM WAS NOT OF VIETNAMESE MAKING BUT RATHER OF FILIPINOS THEMSELVES, MAJORITY OF WHOM REFUSED TO LEAVE WITHOUT THEIR VIETNAMESE DEPENDENTS, FOR WHOM GOP WOULD NOT GIVE PERMISSION TO ENTER PHILIPPINES BECAUSE THEY CONSTITUTED "SECOND FAMILIES". VIETNAMESE AUTHORITIES TOLD ONE FILIPINO YESTERDAY THAT WHEN THEY FOUND SIX OF HIS COLLEAGUES WHO REFUSED TO LEAVE, THEY WOULD THROW THEM IN JAIL.

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2. AS PER INSTRUCTION (REFTEL), EMBASSY AND JCRC PERSONNEL

MET WITH RETURNEES DURING THEIR OVERNIGHT STAY IN BANGKOK. SEVERAL OF THEM HAVE HAD A VERY DIFFICULT TIME AND LOOKED GAUNT. EMBASSY WILL REPORT SOME OF THEIR EXPERIENCES BY AIRGRAM. NONE OF THE RETURNEES HAD ANY WORD ON MIAS. SEVERAL FILIPINOS WHO WERE INCARCERATED UNTIL RECENTLY IN JAILS IN SAIGON AND VUNG TAU HEARD NOTHING OF ANY AMERICANS.

3. AMONG STORIES CIRCULATING IN VIET-NAM, AN ELDERLY FILIPINA BUSINESSWOMAN WHO HAS BEEN LIVING IN SAIGON SAID SHE HEARD FROM PEOPLE FROM NHA TRANG ABOUT A WHITE AMERICAN MALE (NON-MILITARY) LIVING IN THAT CITY WITH HIS VIETNAMESE FAMILY. LATEST RUMOR ON HIM WAS WEEK AGO. HOWEVER, A FILIPINO WHO VISITED NHA TRANG OFTEN TO SEE HIS FAMILY, LATEST TRIP BEING LAST WEEK, SAID HE HEARD NOTHING OF THIS SORT WHILE THERE.

4. ONE MAN WAS ASKED BY A RELATIVE THREE MONTHS AGO ABOUT A NON-VIETNAMESE SPEAKING WHITE AMERICAN MALE LIVING IN FORMER KIEN HOA PROVINCE. HE KNEW NO OTHER DETAILS. WHITEHOUSE

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